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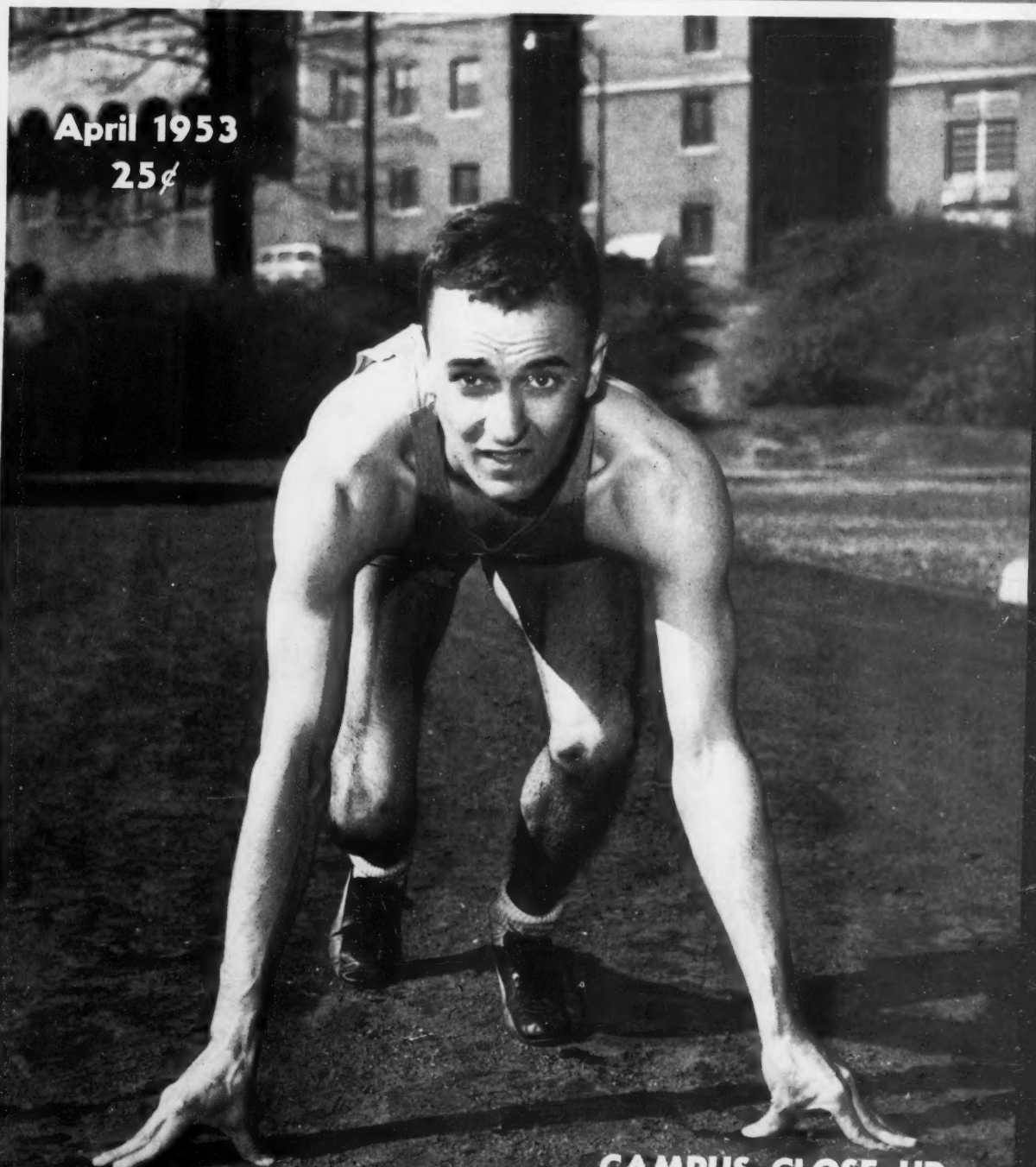
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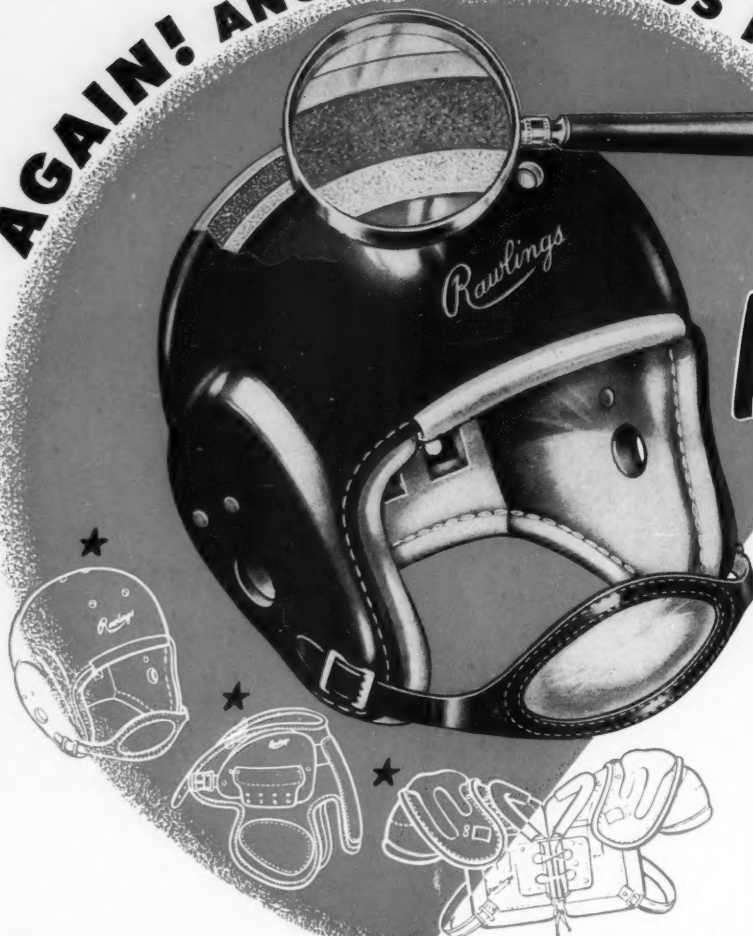
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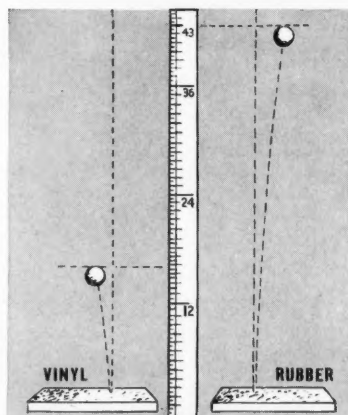
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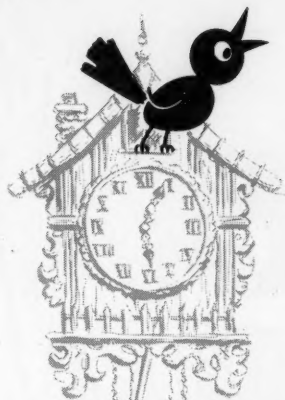
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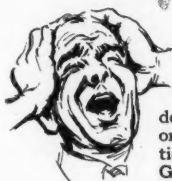
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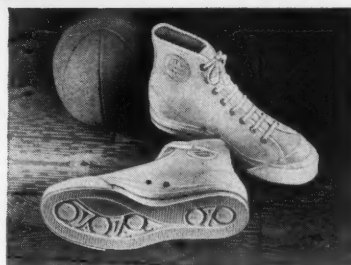


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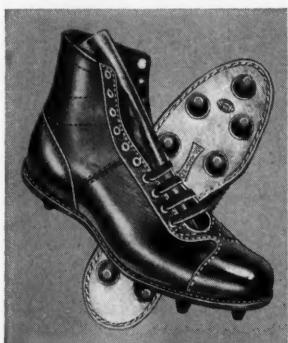


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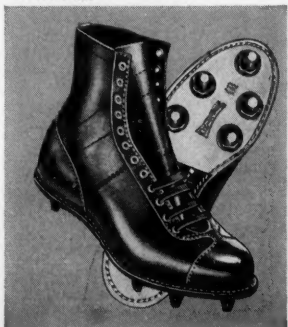
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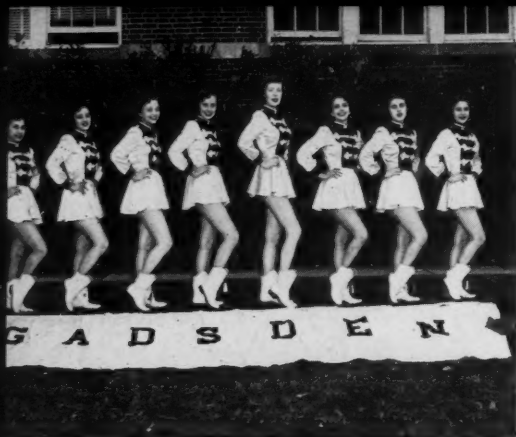


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CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

★ GADSDEN ★ HIGH SCHOOL

Gadsden, Alabama



GADSDEN HIGH is a two-story, "E" shaped building located in the western part of the city. The wisdom of the builders in locating the building back from the street has been amply justified on the basis of traffic safety, beauty, accessibility, and quietness. A twenty-seven foot paved elliptical driveway connects Twelfth Street with the front of the building, providing safe and easy access and permitting off street parking for many automobiles. The driveway has cement sidewalks along the arcs of the outer ellipse. An elevated terrace twenty feet wide runs across the front of the building. From the foot of the terrace, the grass covered lawn slopes gently to the street. The front entrance is southern colonial architecture with

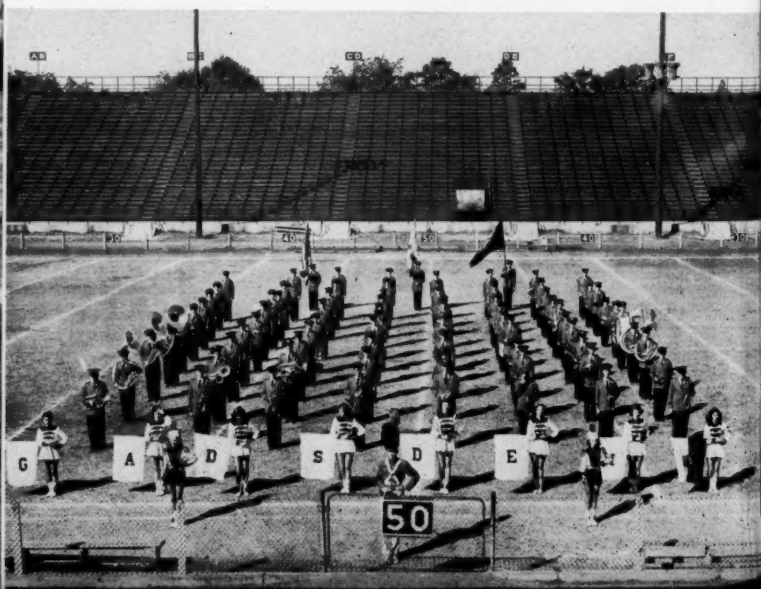
GADSDEN HIGH MAJORETTES



graceful columns symbolizing culture and hospitality. Exterior beauty was achieved through simplicity and by designing such architectural features as the cornice and stone trim; so that the dimensions are in proper proportion to the length and height of the building. The bricks are a deep, rich red and laid in Flemish bond with white mortar. Although over twenty-five years old, the building is still modern in design and appearance and has the neat, fresh look of a building recently erected. Planning for the building began in 1922, and the finished building was opened to the students in 1924. J. D. Samuels was the first principal of the school. He was followed by J. L. Peterson, J. R. Davis, and the present principal, F. T. Dobbs.

The school has an enrollment of around one thousand, and is staffed by forty very capable faculty members, including the principal; assistant principal, J. R. Davis; guidance director, Walter Nelson; Student Council advisor, Percy Pentecost; and the coaches, Jack Green, Herbert Burton, and Ernest Teel.

GADSDEN HIGH BAND





I. J. BROWDER, Superintendent

The students have their choice of four courses: college preparatory, commercial, vocational, and general. Those taking the college preparatory course are required to have a foreign language, two

years of mathematics, and other subjects that will be of use to them in college. The commercial students take typing, shorthand, book-keeping and such subjects. The students taking the vocational course become members of the Diversified Occupations Club and are dismissed at 12:30 a. m., as they have after-school jobs. Students undecided about their future usually take the general course.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

The school has twenty-two active clubs and organizations, some honorary and some active. The highest honor a student can receive during his high-school career is to be tapped into the National Honor Society. The four aims of this organization are: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. The membership is limited to the two upper classes, with most members coming from the senior class. Other honor organizations are the Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y clubs. These clubs are affiliated with the Young Men's Christian Association of North America. The purposes of the clubs are to create, maintain, and extend throughout the school and community high standards of Christian character.

The Art Club is composed of students



F. T. DOBBS, Principal

interested in any phase of sketching, painting, etc. The Camera Club was formed for further education in photography for students interested. The

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GADSDEN HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING



CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

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Choral Union is made up of both boys and girls who take Glee Club or Choral Club. The Crucible staff gathers and publishes the material for the school's yearbook. The Debate Club is a newly formed organization which stresses public speaking. The D. O. Club is dedicated to preparing students for their future vocations. The Dramatic Club is made up of those students interested in the drama field. The Future Business Leaders of America are students taking commercial courses. The purpose of the club is to train its members for active participation in the business world. The Future Teachers of America Club is made up of students interested in the teaching profession. The "G" Club is composed of those boys participating in the school's athletic program. Its purpose is to build better sportsmanship. The International Club is made up of those students taking some foreign language. The Junior Red Cross is an

affiliation of the American Red Cross; its members are elected by popular vote from each home room. The Library Club is composed of girls who help with the many duties of keeping up the library of the school. The Magnavox Staff has charge of publishing the school's monthly newspaper. The National Thespian Society is a recognition society, in the sense that students are granted membership for having performed meritorious work in dramatic arts. The Picture Show Operators have an important part in the showing of all the visual education movies. The Ushers Club is made up of junior and senior boys selected by members of the faculty.

The active clubs meet weekly, and the honorary organizations hold meetings twice each month. General admission requirements for the active clubs are: the students must be in good standing with all faculty members and must have at least a "C" average. These requirements are slightly higher for the honor clubs.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The governing body of the school is the Student Council, which is made up of one representative from each home room, plus four officers elected from the student body at large. Its purpose is to provide a means for student participation in school government, to stimulate student activity, to develop good citizenship, to recognize work of merit, to be a medium of service to the school and community, to build character, and to offer a means of co-operation between students and faculty. This year, for the first time in the history of the school, students are given major credit for student government. The elected representatives meet together as a class, and operate in a manner similar to that of Congress; the members are expert in the use of parliamentary procedure. In addition to governing all student activities, the council takes part in many projects for the service of the community and school. The Gadsden High Student Council has received wide recognition for its out-



Reading from top to bottom, at left: Student Council; Homecoming Queen, Jane Bottoms, with escorts Wyatt Wiefer and Tommy Ligon; National Honor Society. Center: Pyramid Building; Basketball in girls' physical education; Calisthenics. Right: Basketball team in action; Cheerleaders; The Library.



COACH JACK GREEN

standing work The president of the council, Wyatt Sieber, was elected Lieutenant-Governor of Body's State, at Montgomery last year.

A branch of the governing body is the expertly organized Monitor System. An outstanding student is elected from each home room to serve as a monitor. These monitors supervise the halls, check passes, guide visitors, and see that the "stadium privilege" (a privilege, recently acquired by the efforts of the council, by which students are allowed to adjourn to the stadium after



COACH ERNEST TEEL

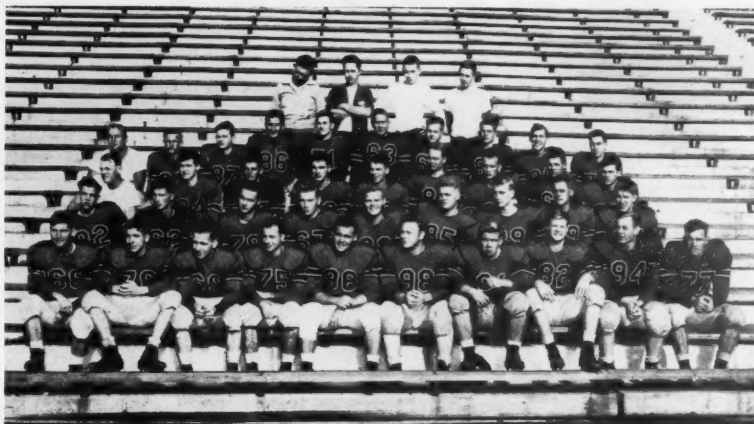
lunch; previously they were required to sit quietly in the auditorium) is not abused.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

The Gadsden High Band, under the direction of Most Glosser, is considered one of the best in the state. At present,

the band has 109 members. This membership includes two majorettes, eight flag swingers, three flag carriers, and one drum major, who are all elected by the band students. The band performs at all football games and parades,

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FROM TOP TO BOTTOM: 1952 FOOTBALL SQUAD, 1953 BASKETBALL SQUAD; 1952 BASEBALL SQUAD.



THE HUDDLE



By DWIGHT KEITH, Editor and Publisher

The Code of Ethics is the product of long and careful study by a committee composed of some of the best minds in the coaching profession. Every paragraph is weighted with importance to the coaches and to the game. It should be read, studied and practiced by every coach of this great American game. Those who will not subscribe to this code are misfits in the profession. Those who persistently violate it should be driven from its ranks.

Code of Ethics

ARTICLES VI PUBLIC RELATIONS

Section 1: — Sportswriters and Sportscasters. The responsibility of coaches to accredited writers and radio and television commentators is to provide them news about their team and players which is suitable for public consumption. They should be treated with courtesy, honesty and respect. Derogatory and misleading statements should be avoided. Direct questions should be answered honestly, or not at all. If good judgment indicates that an honest answer to a question would be prejudicial to the best interest of the game, ethical procedure demands that it not be answered. In such cases, "No comment" is entirely justifiable. Coaches should assume responsibility for and stress the importance of ethical procedures in teaching their players how to conduct themselves in player-interviews, in the best interests of the game of football.

Section 2: — Good Judgment. It should be questionable practice for coaches to stress player injuries, disciplinary measures, academic difficulties, eligibility problems and similar personal items, with the press, radio and television. Disciplinary problems should be a family affair, to be solved between the coach and players involved. Scholastic eligibility is a province of the Deans or Registrars office. Injuries are essentially a province of the team physician and trainer. No good purpose can be served by publicizing such matters.

Section 3: — Football Polls and Picking Game Winners. It shall be unethical for coaches to pick weekly game winners, or to participate in football polls or rating systems. (Note: Exceptions may be made for previous commitments covering the 1952 season only.)

Section 4: — Alumni, Booster and Quarterback Organizations. Such organizations can be of value to the game of football if they have proper objectives. It shall be unethical for coaches to use such groups to attempt to defeat or obstruct administrative or institutional athletic controls, or to encourage violation of established rules and regulations in order to strengthen existing football programs. It shall likewise be unethical for coaches to make demands, financial or otherwise, upon such groups which are not in keeping with the letter and spirit of existing controls or in any other manner to mis-use such strength and power in violation of accepted rules and regulations.

Feed My Sheep

"Our shipment of copies of COACH AND ATHLETE in which our school was featured arrived today. Let me say how grateful and pleased we are with the wonderful lay-out and choice of pictures. All of us here are most delighted with it. The fact that you were so generous in your coverage of our campus has pleased us no end. . . ."

Quoted above is a portion of a letter we recently received. It is typical of the response we receive each month from the school which we use in our "Campus Close-Up" feature. Here is our open-letter reply to them and to others we will be featuring in the future.

It is gratifying to us to know that you are pleased with the manner in which we presented the story on your school in our "Campus Close-Up" feature. We can not accept full credit for this and we are happy to give credit where credit is due. Considering space, engraving and other items of expense, the cost of featuring a school runs much higher than you would realize. The generous space allotted to you is made possible through the cooperation of our advertisers. We are not on the sales staff of any of the manufacturers you find advertised in our magazine, but we feel very strongly that you should show your appreciation to them by giving them preferred consideration when placing your orders. We try to protect you by carrying advertising of reputable firms. The service we are able to render is in direct proportion to our advertising support.

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POLE VAULTING

By PERCY BEARD

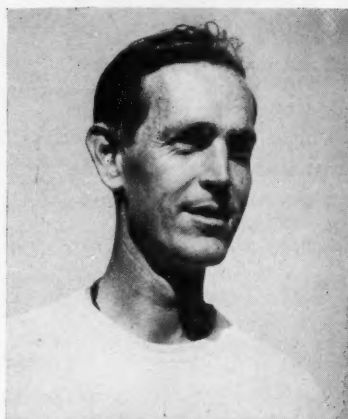
Track Coach, University of Florida

THE following somewhat random discussion is confined to a few of the fundamental points—those about which boys usually ask the most questions.

The approach must be established so that the vaulter doesn't have to worry about his take-off. The length of the approach will vary with the individual. It must be long enough for the vaulter to develop near top speed while he is still several strides from his take-off. This means a run of from 100 to 150 feet. Two marks should be established—one mark at the start of the run and a check mark six strides from the take-off. The vaulter should stand one step back of his starting point, hit it with the toe of his take-off foot as he starts his run, and then make it a point to hit the check mark with the toe of his jumping foot. If the second mark is hit correctly, the vaulter knows he will hit his take-off. If he misses, he has room to stop, thus saving himself a trial. The vaulter should aim to reach his top speed at the second check mark. He can then relax and coast through the remaining six strides without losing speed. It is essential that he not be straining to obtain more speed when he reaches the take-off point.

There are several methods of carrying the pole during the approach. Some carry the tip of the pole high, some low, and some across the body. The vaulter should use the method which feels most comfortable during his run and which affords him the smoothest take-off.

The position of the hands on the pole is determined by the vaulter's height and the height which he is attempting. At low heights, the vaulter will hold higher than the cross bar; at intermediate heights, about even with it; and at higher heights, well below the bar. Good vaulters, at higher heights, will hold from 18 to 22, or perhaps 24 inches below the bar. The correct handhold is determined by trial and error for each individual. For example, consider a vaulter who is attempting 11' 6". He might very well hold the pole with his top hand about six inches beneath the crossbar as the pole stands up in the box. Now in order to determine the exact point where he should leave the ground, let him hold the pole at the point just determined and with the end



Coach Percy Beard graduated from Auburn in 1929. He was a star hurdler and lost only two dual meet races during his Junior and Senior years. After graduation he ran for five seasons for the New York Athletic Club, losing only one race. At the National AAU meet in Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1931 he set a new World's record of 14.2 seconds in the 120 yard high hurdles. He turned in another 14.2 time five years later on the same track in his last race. He set the world's 110 meter high hurdle record at Oslo, Norway, as a member of the National AAU in 1934. In 1934 he held world records in 120-yard high hurdle, 110-meter high hurdle, 70-yard indoor, 60-yard indoor, and 65-meter indoor—five world's records at one time!

of the pole in the box stand under it with his hands directly over his head and his body vertical. He will then mark where his heels are. This will give a point which he should hit with the tip of the toe of his take-off foot when he vaults. This means that when he leaves the ground his body is leaning slightly forward.

Missing this point by even a few inches means a poor vault. Note that each time the vaulter changes his handhold, he also changes his point of take-off and also his check marks. For this reason, good vaulters do not change their handholds except when their progress makes it necessary in order to achieve greater height.

The relationship between the speed of the approach and the handhold must also be borne in mind. If the speed is too great for the handhold, the pole will come up too rapidly and the vaulter will not have time to complete his vault. If too slow, the pole will not become vertical at all and the vaulter cannot get his body across the bar.

The take-off action itself is the foundation of a good vault. As the runner approaches the box on his last two strides, he starts reaching forward slightly with the pole—actually shoving the pole through his left hand with his right to bring his hands together. It is not necessary that the hands come in contact, but they should not be more than six to eight inches apart. When the pole makes contact with the back of the box, his hands should be just in front of his eyes and his arms flexed. As he goes into his vault, they are then extended directly to full arm's length overhead. This straightening of the arms provides a cushion against the shock of the take-off. Unless this movement is performed correctly and smoothly, it is impossible to get a good vault. The vaulter can practice this without vaulting simply by jogging three or four strides, putting the pole in the box and bringing his hands overhead.

It was mentioned above that the arms were directly overhead at the instant of leaving the ground. The arms should stay in this position as the body makes a vigorous swing forward and up. The arms should remain straight until the body has swung as far as it will—at least until the feet are as high or higher than the head. The knees are drawn in closer to the pole somewhat in order to bring the center of gravity as close to the pole as possible. Most beginners clutch the pole to their chests as soon as they leave the ground and ride it up. This makes it impossible for them to raise their bodies above their hands, and in addition causes the pole to assume an upright position so rapidly that they do not have time to complete the vault.

The timing of the swing becomes important when the height gets up above 12 feet or 12 feet 6 inches. If the swing is completed too quickly, the pole will

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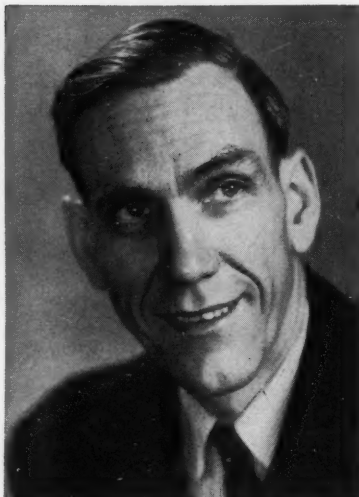


WING-PUNT

By

HERBERT "SWEDE" PHILLIPS

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another in a series of articles on unique formations and scoring plays which will be carried exclusively in COACH & ATHLETE. These articles will be written by various coaches who are noted for their daring tactics on the gridiron and will be later compiled and edited in book form by Coach "Swede" Phillips. Publishing date and price will be announced later.



COACH PHILLIPS

ANYONE looking for something different in an offense, sooner or later, goes to Texas Christian University for ideas. This wing-punt formation is the direct result of seeing T.C.U. beat Oklahoma in 1944. I also got many helpful suggestions from H. R. McQuillan, Texas Christian University assistant, under whom I played for three years. The advantages were many and the results, after a year of experimentation, were quite good.

There are several characteristics of this set which are different from the conventional short punt formation as well as from the double wingback: the wingbacks are placed inside the ends, the ball exchanges generally are made on the move, two men are in position to spin or run on direct snaps, and the ends may move out very wide to give the benefits of the spread. **Diagram No. 1** illustrates the way that we line up for the formation that I have called the wing-punt:

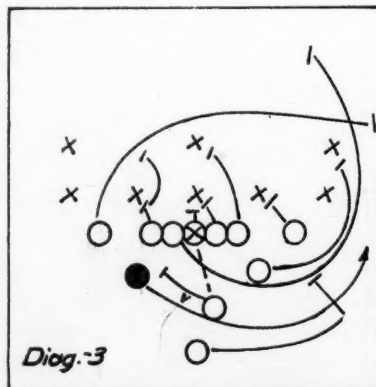
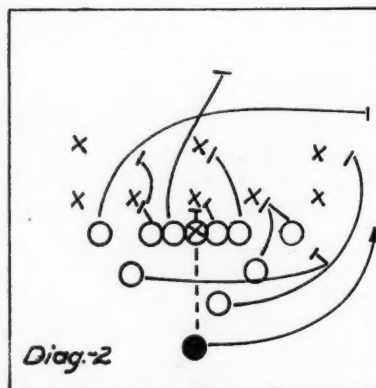
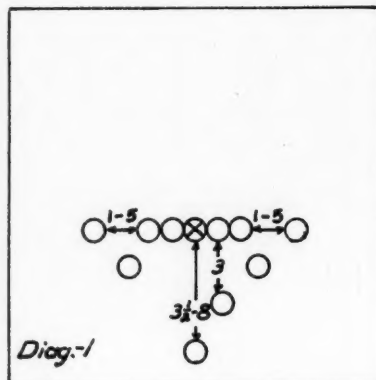
After two years of use of this system, I found that the advantages were several. The deep man may check off and meet the defense presented. He is in a good position to pass without backing up. He can quick kick almost at will as he lines up in perfect position. He has a much better angle for blocking the end in when he has some depth. He is far from a loss on running plays, too. Even when he chooses from down and position on the field to line up as deep as eight yards, he is not a total loss on running plays. He gets up good speed for handoffs after ball handling. If you can get a deep man who is intelligent enough to call signals orally without a huddle, it would be an even greater advantage for he is in excellent position to get an over-all view of the defensive alignment.

The short man or blocking back is deep enough to pass and, with a rocker step, to quick kick. He is the principal handoff man and can run straight power stuff. Naturally, he is in the best position to block out or straight ahead.

By placing the wingbacks inside the end, you have them in position to block for punts without changing position. They can do an especially good job of blocking the tackles in or out and the ends out. The offensive ends can make an initial charge onto the defensive tackle, then go on for the pass or a downfield block with the wing picking up the block. Another reason to place the wings inside the ends is to speed up the ball handling on reverses and double reverses.

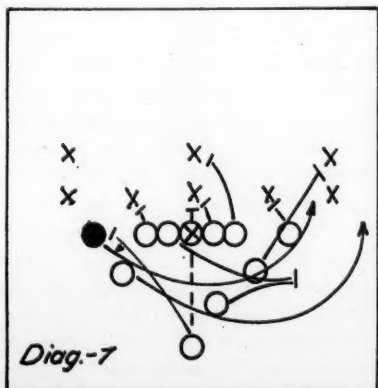
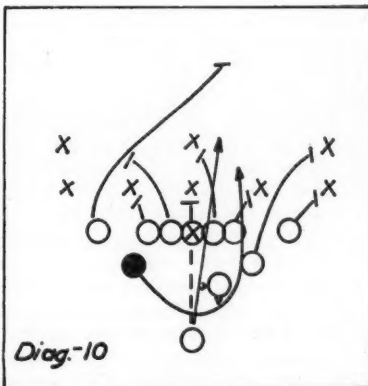
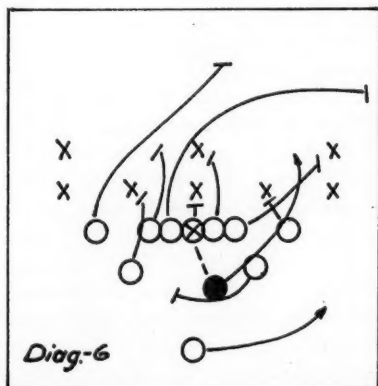
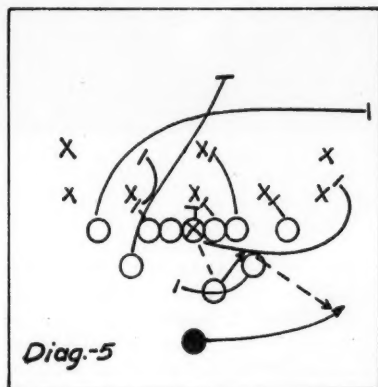
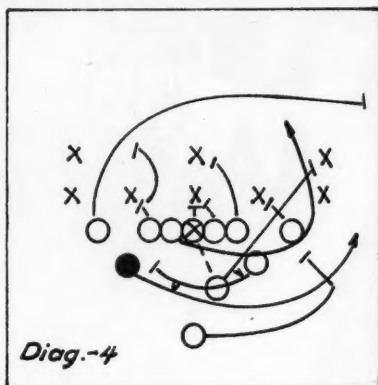
By having the ball exchanges on the move with a minimum of spin plays the blocks do not have to be held as long as double wing blocks usually have to be held. Not so many fumbles result as the ball carrier has none of the responsibility in the exchanges. The man taking the ball or faking the take has the responsibility.

One of the problems that were encountered when the system was put in was the numbering of the plays so as to show all the backs who would handle the ball on the plays. This was done by giving the numbers of backs (see diagram 1) in the order in



which they took the ball with the last numbered reserved for the hole through which the play will run. Thus 3251 would be a double reverse through the 1 hole. This worked out very well.

Some of the plays that we used with



the wing-punt system are shown in the accompanying Diagrams, Nos. 2 thru 11.

Notice that I lined up the defense in a 6 to draw up 3244. That is so I could show you the blocking on the linebackers. "Catfish" Smith says that it is the best block in football and that all inside plays should start with that block.

No doubt you saw in the plays that I have given you several features that I believe to be important to any offense:

- 1) Have as few different blocks for the line as is possible.
- 2) On ball handling plays pull linemen to cover up the ball handling and add to the deception.
- 3) One on one blocking may be used when the ball handling is such as to cause the linemen to stand up and hunt the ball.

Consider the fact that all your plays could start from a close tailback. Add your passing plays. You can see how much offense could be generated from this alignment.

In fact, just last season a Northern coach had an excellent season using this same thing from the T (HB close behind T, FB 8-10 deep), calling it the Kite formation.

Key to Diagrams

- No. 2 — 40 man-in-motion
- No. 3 — 350
- No. 4 — 3250
- No. 5 — Buck lateral
- No. 6 — Fake buck lateral
- No. 7 — End around
- No. 8 — 351 Fake double reverse
- No. 9 — 3241
- No. 10 — 4352
- No. 11 — 3244

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TAKE them as individuals or take them as a team. Either way, Snitz Snider and Frank Christy are two names they won't soon forget in Alabama athletics.

Coach and athlete, respectively, at Bessemer High School, Snider and Christy both have enjoyed colorful athletic careers. For Christy, the best probably still lies ahead.

An All-State and All-Southern selection for the past two years, Christy is regarded by his coach as the best tackle he has ever had the pleasure of coaching in some 20 years at Bessemer.

Ticketed to enter Georgia Tech in the Fall, Christy so impressed Mentor Snider with his play at Bessemer that his jersey number, 44, was retired in February, never again to be used by a Bessemer player.

Christy lettered four times in football and has won three track letters at Bessemer, making the Scholastic All-American selection last Fall.

Observes Snider of Christy: "He's All-America in my book. In addition to being the greatest tackle I've ever coached, he's one of the finest boys I've ever known. Before he's through playing ball, I believe he'll be a college All-American."

Veteran line coach Bill Grimes, one of Snider's aids, comments: "Bessemer has produced its share of final football players, not the least of whom—Phil Tinsley—made All-America at Tech during the war. I've coached both Tinsley and Christy; and right now Frank's more advanced at his position than Phil. He's got what it takes."

With Christy at his peak for the past two seasons, and surrounded with talented teammates, the whole Bessemer team has had what it takes. Bessemer, though it actually doesn't have enough students to qualify, has won the state's most prized Class AAA football championship for the past two years. In neither of the seasons did the Tigers drop a game. They were tied only by West End of Birmingham (0-0) in their opener two seasons ago.

Of this Snider says: "I don't believe we could have done it without Christy. His moral and spiritual leadership served as a great stimulant in pushing the team to greater heights. Christy's football play has been full of courage, he's played with the heart of a Tiger."

Christy probably reached his greatest heights the night Bessemer handed Ramsey of Birmingham its only reverse of the season, 12-0, before more than 29,000 fans in Birmingham's Legion Field. That was the game that eventually meant the title, and that night there was no stopping the 185-pounder on offense or defense.

Frank and teammate Jimmy Thompson, a terrific back weighing only 145, are just two in a procession of great stars who've played at Bessemer. Others: Tinsley, Tech All-American; Red Simpson, star Kentucky end; Osgood Griffin, a prep All-American selection as an end in the early '30's; Howard Bowen, All-State lineman; Red Patton and John Vines, who won All-State fame and played at Tech; and Guard Bill Kilpatrick and Backs Don Johnson and Johnny Adams, now at Auburn.

And when Auburn's mentioned, there's no overlooking Snider. Snitz, christened Euil, went to the Plains in the mid-20's after setting athletic woods afire in Jefferson County surrounding Birmingham. There he went out for football as an end and later track as a quarter-miler.

It was in track that Snider really skyrocketed to stardom. He's one of three Auburn men ever to represent the United States in the Olympics. He ran the 400 meter event in the Olympics. Percy Beard, the hurdler, and Whitey Overton, the distancer, later joined Snider as Plainsmen in the Olympics.

Though most of his coaching career has been wrapped up with Bessemer, Snider has coached at Dora High School and Howard College in Birmingham. At Howard, he helped to install the Navy V-12's athletic program during the war.

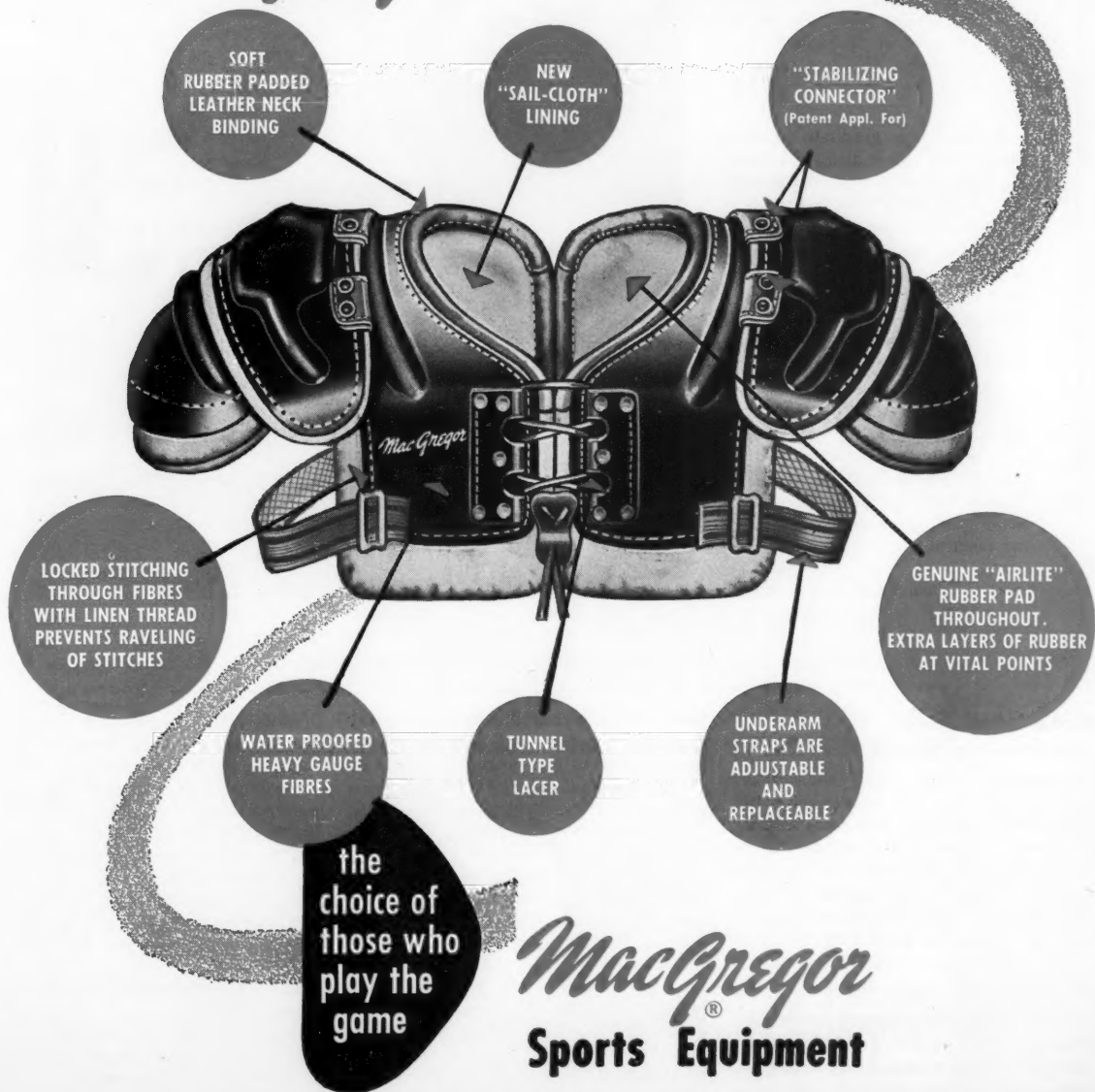
His ardor for sports seems endless. While coaching football is his first love, he has a keen interest in hunting and fishing—and track. For years, he's been chief starter at such outstanding Southern track events as the Southern Relays, in Birmingham, the Florida Relays, in Gainesville, and the annual Southeastern Conference meet in Birmingham.

Currently, Snider is in the midst of Spring football practice and track and field practice. Who's helping as coach and athlete? Christy, no less.



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CLARA GAMBLE

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Clara is a physical education major, working on her Master's degree at the University of North Carolina. She took her undergraduate work at Alabama College in Montevallo, Alabama, not too far from her hometown of Bessemer.

While doing graduate work at Chapel Hill she is also on a teaching assistantship, and, needless to say, is probably the best looking teacher on campus.

She has always been interested in modern dance and won a summer scholarship to the Barbara Mettler School of Creative Dance in New Hampshire one year while at Alabama College.

Between colleges she worked two years in Mobile in YWCA work. She's a good athlete, likes tennis, golf, archery and swimming. Incidentally, she'll finish her work at Chapel Hill in July and will be looking for another college teaching position.

— (Photo by Julian Scheer-Cornell Wright)



POLE VAULTING

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not become vertical and the vaulter, even though he may have raised his body well above the bar, may not be able to get himself across it before coming down on it. The failure of the pole to come to the vertical position can also be caused by several other things—such as holding too high on the pole, or running too slow on the approach, or taking off too far under the pole.

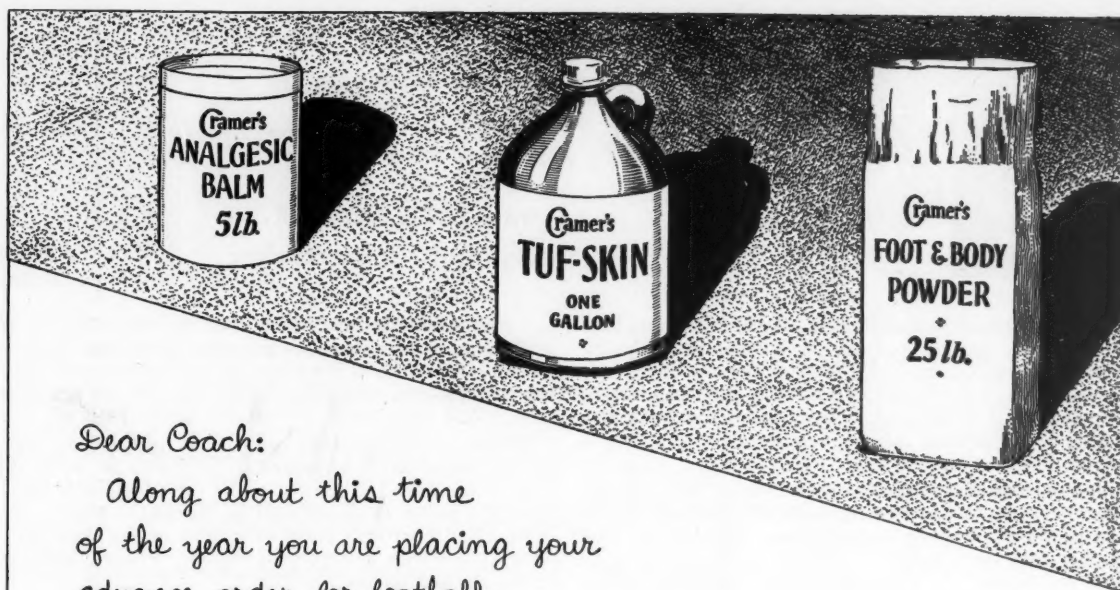
In discussing the swing, it was stated that the arms should remain straight until the body swing was completed. When the feet are as high or higher than the head, the pull-up can begin. The pull-up and turnover is all one mo-

tion. If the swing has been properly executed the feet and body will continue to rise as the vaulter pulls. As he executes the pull-up, the body turns over so that the chest is to the bar. At the completion of the pull-up and turnover, for a right-handed vaulter, the pole should be in the hollow of the right shoulder. He is then in a position to push himself up higher. In effect, he does a hand-stand on top of the pole. In order to do this, the pole must be in a vertical position. If it isn't, the vaulter finds himself pushing against a support which is falling away from him. Consequently, it leaves him suspended over the bar and it is impossible for him to get across it even though he may have achieved enough body height to do so.

Even after apparently clearing the bar, many vaulters drag the bar off with the arms. This can be corrected by releasing the pole with the elbows pointed toward the standards and trying to raise the elbows vertically.

The standards are usually placed well toward the pit at lower heights and then pulled toward the runway as the height increases until the bar is almost directly above the end of the box. This is done to compensate for a faulty vault—one in which the swing has been rushed and, as a consequence, the pole does not become vertical.

If the pole does become vertical, as it should, the bar should be toward the pit. Otherwise the vaulter is likely to hit the bar with his chest before achieving maximum height.



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TRAVELING 'ROUND THE Southern Conference

with JACK HORNER

Special Staff Correspondent

Slender Joel Shankle, something of a sophomore sensation, is the brightest star in Southern Conference track circles. . . . Shankle served notice of his future greatness last spring when he scored 18 points to spark Duke to runnerup honors behind Maryland in the outdoor track meet. . . . Duke also was second to Maryland in the Conference indoor games a year ago. . . .

As a sophomore this trip, Shankle accounted for 15 points as Duke swept to its first championship in 15 years in the indoor games. . . . Placing in four events, Shankle won two firsts, a second and a third. . . . He's a hurdler and jumper — high and broad. . . . The high-scoring sophomore makes Duke a big favorite to win the outdoor crown when the Conference meet is held at Durham on May 15-16. . . .

Maryland's defending champions finished third behind Duke (34 points) and North Carolina (27 points) in the indoor games at Chapel Hill. . . . Maryland collected only 18 points. . . . Duke's victory was a complete surprise. . . . Coach Bob Chambers' Blue Devils claimed their first loop track title since 1938. . . .

Coach Bob Fetzer Honored

The Conference got around to paying tribute to one of its greatest friends at the indoor games. . . . Robert A. Fetzer, better known as Coach Bob, was presented a scroll and a watch by Conference Commissioner Wallace Wade. . . . Fetzer founded and has directed each of the indoor games. . . . He has served the Conference in many capacities during his 25 years as athletic director and track coach at University of North Carolina. . . . But Coach Bob retired from the athletic picture a year ago to become executive secretary of Morehead Foundation, a scholarship fund. . . . He took time out from his new duties to direct the indoor games, however. . . . Some sports writers refer to them as the "Fetzer Indoor Games. . . ."

Wolfpack to Growl Again

Although N. C. State lost its first loop cage crown in the last seven years, Coach Everett Case's famed Wolfpack will be harder than ever to halt next year. . . . Case held out 12 freshmen, some of them topflight prospects, and didn't employ them on the varsity this past season. . . . They played together as a unit and lost only two games, both tussles to service teams, and you can bet your last dime Ronald Shavlik, Whitey Bell, Vic Molodet, Ed Juratic, Phil DiNardo and some of the other rookies will crack the varsity lineup next year. . . .

Coach Case, who had swept six straight Conference cage titles until losing the 1953 tournament to Wake Forest, loses six members of this year's 12-man squad. . . . "It may be seven more years before anyone beats Case again," grinned Murray Greason, coach of Wake Forest's triumphant Demon Deacons. . . . "I suppose we were pretty lucky to win. . . ."

Wake Forest went through the season with six players, you might say. . . . Outside of the team's top six players, the other half of the 12-man squad managed only 91 points out of Wake Forest's 2,101 scored during the regular season.

. . . And three Deacons, Dickie Hemric, Jack Williams and Billy Lyles, scored almost 70 per cent of the team total. . . . Hemric and Williams were one of the nation's most potent one-two punches, averaging better than 45 points between them. . . .

Hemric, a six-foot-seven sophomore, broke every school scoring record when he poured in 727 points for an average of 25 in the team's 29 games. . . . He hit a high of 44 against Duke although fouling out with six minutes to play. . . . Ray Lipstas and Maurice George alternated as the sixth starter with Al DePorter pairing with Hemric, Williams and Lyles in the starting lineup. . . .

Purple Hurricane Howls

Five of the top eight highest scoring basketball teams in the country were from the Southern Conference. . . . Furman's Purple Hurricane was the No. 1 scoring quint in the nation with a 90.2 average for 27 games. . . . Other loop teams and their average and standing in the top eight follow: George Washington (85.9), third; Duke (84.2), fourth; West Virginia (83.2) and N. C. State (83.2), tie for seventh.

Furman, sparked by the highest scoring twosome in the country, broke all sorts of records under Coach Lyles Alley. . . . Frank Selvy, who averaged 29.5 to top all major college players, and Neild Gordon, who fired away at a 24.3 average, were Furman's big guns. . . . They averaged scoring 53.8 points between them each game. . . .

In the Conference tournament, Gordon (37) and Selvy (34) tallied 71 points between them and still the Purple Hurricane lost to West Virginia, 91-87. . . . Gordon's total was a new tournament record until Maryland's Gene Shue came along the next night and pumped in 40 points against Wake Forest only to see his teammates lose the semi-final game. . . .

Selvy hit a season's high of 63 in Furman's game with Mercer. . . . This was the most points scored in a single game by any major college player, but three below the Southern Conference record of 66 established by Jay Handlan of Washington & Lee against Furman in 1952. . . .

Shue Scores in Tourney

Skinny Gene Shue of Maryland didn't make the All-Conference team during the regular season but he was voted the most outstanding player in the tournament, compiling more votes on the all-tournament team than any of the other players. . . . Here's the All-Conference team chosen by the Conference Sports Writers Association (votes in parentheses):

FIRST TEAM

Frank Selvy of Furman (281)
Dick Hemric of Wake Forest (258)
Bobby Speight of N. C. State (238)
Jim Sottile of West Virginia (174)
Joe Holup of George Washington (156)

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Texas Round-up

By STAN LAMBERT

Southwest Representative

AN INVITATION TO DIXIE SCHOOLBOY COACHES

The deep South coaches who have never attended the Texas coaching school will have a golden opportunity this summer since it is being held in Houston which is only 117 miles from the Louisiana border. Next summer the site may be six to eight hundred miles further inland because it moves every year. The instructional staff is composed of: Johnny Vaught and Bruiser Kinnard, Mississippi, and Dallas Ward and Ray Jenkins, Colorado, for football; Buster Brannon, TCU, and another coach to be selected for basketball; Beau Bell, Texas A&M, baseball; Col. Frank Anderson, Texas A&M, track, and Eddie Wojecki, Rice, athletic injuries.

Although we are proud of our staff and think that they alone would justify the trip, we offer other features for your professional consideration. For many years now, the Texas school has been the largest in the world—and it is still growing. The head count (new record) in Fort Worth last year was as follows: 1,860 coaches registered; 492 coaches' wives; 47 sports writers; 167 all-stars, sporting goods peddlers and other assorted registrants. The all-star football game attracted 13,556; and 4,034 turned out for the basketball game. It seems to us that you owe it to yourself, your school, your squad and your town to avail yourself of the best coaching school available at least once.

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All coaches should support their own state association first. We did not intend to advise your skipping your own state school for this one; but for an "extra" we would like to extend this invitation to all of you. These Texas coaches have been in the "super coaching school" business a long time, and evidently know most of the answers. Those who are active in their own state associations might find some ideas that would improve their own schools another year. At any rate, it would not hurt any to see the best one from the inside and learn what makes it tick.

And should you decide to come, be sure to come by and visit with this writer. You will find us in the Pressroom which is located on the mezzanine floor of the Rice. We will be glad to do anything for you except cash checks—and we might even help you with that. Also write us for any further information.

ON NEW COACHES IN THE SWC

Three new faces will be in the drivers' seats of Southwest Conference football next fall—Abe Martin at TCU, Chalmer Woodward, SMU, and Bowden Wyatt, Arkansas. Of the three who vacated their thrones, only Dutch Meyer of TCU gained "peace with honor." He was elevated to the athletic directorship after long, faithful and successful service. Although the Methodists will still tell you they have never "fired" a coach, the fact remains that Rusty Russell had three years left on his contract; and Otis Douglas quit at Arkansas under heavy pressure less than six months after the announcement that he had voluntarily taken a \$2,000 salary cut in order to get "faculty status" and its accompanying "faculty tenure."

We suppose that the honeymoon for SWC coaches is definitely over now unless some stabilizing force enters the picture. About seven years ago it looked as if football coaching was a fairly stable profession. Here was the picture in 1946: (These dates are from memory rather than records, but are approximately correct.) Homer Norton had been at A&M since 1933, Dutch Meyer at TCU since 1923 but as head coach since 1934, Matty Bell at SMU since 1934, D. X. Bible at Texas since '36, and Jess Neeley at Rice since 1940. (Baylor jobs have been in an adjustment period since Moreley Jennings' long tenure, and Arkansas has always been off-again-on-again.)

Then Bible let his 10-year coaching contract expire in 1945 and Blair Cherry took over in '46; but that swap was on the up-and-up. Then in '47, A&M exes paid off the several remaining years on Norton's contract, and breaks appeared in the dike. In 1950, Bell resigned in favor of his first assistant, Rusty Russell—and that was on the level too. Then the rains came—Cherry resigned in mid-season at Texas under extreme pressure from merciless Texas exes and Harry Stiteler resigned at A&M for reasons other than his W/L factor. Then this year the dikes really busted—Dutch Meyer abdicated in favor of Abe Martin (everything above board); Otis Douglas was forced out at Arkansas, and Rusty Russell became the only "unfired" coach to get paid off for the three years remaining on his contract.

There Must Have Been A Reason

Until the 1932-46 era the Southwest Conference had been as rough on coaches as the next conference. In trying to analyze the reason, we give credit to D. X. Bible's experience at Texas. He arrived on the Texas campus in 1936 replacing an unsuccessful coach—but

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Sport Summaries

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

By GEORGE K. LEONARD

COACH HARRY RABENHORST's Louisiana State Tigers won the 1953 Southeastern Conference basketball championship by a rather infallible method—winning every game.

Every other team lost at least four league games.

In quest of higher laurels, LSU was thwarted by Indiana, 80-67, in the semi-finals of the national collegiate tournament at Kansas City. Indiana then edged Kansas, 69-68, for the title. LSU took fourth place, losing to Washington, 86-69.

Their offense revolving smoothly around six foot, nine inch Bob Pettit, the Bengal basketballers donned the Southeastern crown Kentucky was obliged to abdicate at least for one season.

Next winter, though, the NCCA will have removed its one-year clamp on the Wildcat's participation in intercollegiate basketball. They should wage a brisk battle with LSU for the conference title.

Coach Adolph Rupp and his Bluegrass boys can hardly wait. Cliff Hagan, one of the most talented wizards of the court he ever coached, had to sit by idly as Zippy Morocco of Georgia broke his season scoring record.

The little Bulldog captain wound up with 590 points. This was 40 better than Hagan's 1951-52 production. The Kentucky star's total was also topped by Cob Jarvis of Ole Miss who scored 557.

Morocco's greatest performance among many spectacular individual scoring jobs was his 38-point spree against Tennessee at Knoxville. Georgia prevailed by one point, 87-86, on a long set shot by Morocco in the last 10 seconds. This was the outstanding upset of the conference campaign.

LSU was favored to win the championship in Kentucky's enforced absence and did not disappoint its backers.

The Tigers first captured the Sugar Bowl championship as they defeated

Villanova, then St. Louis in the finals. During the regular season they lost one game outside the conference—to better than-average Tulsa, a defeat later avenged satisfactorily. In the NCAA regional meet at Raleigh, LSU eliminated Lebanon Valley and Holy Cross to reach the semi-finals.

Louisiana State's closest call in the conference was a one-point 53-52 decision over Tulane. The Tigers, with three sophomore starters and two juniors, had not only the most potent offense but also the stoutest defense.

It was the 25th basketball team turned out by Rabenhorst at LSU. No official Southeastern Conference coach of the year was chosen but the veteran certainly deserved the honor.

Pettit, a junior, was sidelined for several games by flu which swept the nation during the season. Apparently this attack cost him All-American although he missed only four games and tallied 573 points in 23 including 122 points in the NCAA tourney, for an average of 24.9, tops in the conference. At the time Pettit was ill, All-Americans were being selected and many voters allowed their attention to become focused on high tally hotshots of the moment.

In his two years of varsity competition at LSU, the 20-year-old has scored 1,185 points.

Rounding out the starting cast for the Tigers were such excellent players as Don Belcher, Mickey McArdle, Norman Magee and Ned Clark.

Bib Bob was an instant choice on the All-Southeastern for the second successive year, of course. But he had to settle for second team All-America again.

On The Nashville Banner's annual All-SEC quintet picked by the conference coaches and regarded as the most authentic of the all-star arrays, the following players were chosen: Dan Finch, Vanderbilt; Curt Cunkle, Florida; Jarvis, Morocco and Pettit.

Pettit was on the second All-America team named by Collier's, the Associated Press and Look. Collier's and AP picked Johnny O'Brien, Seattle; Bob Houbregs, Washington; Ernie Beck, Penn; Tom Gola, La Salle, and Walt Dukes, Seton Hall. Look omitted Gola and chose Dick Knostman, Kansas State.

In 1952-53 Pettit will be battling Kentucky's Frank Ramsey and Hagan for All-America fame from the South, as well as a few others, but maybe the big Bengal will make it finally.



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Left to right, first row: Don Loughmiller, guard; Darrell Schultz, guard; Captain Benny McArdle, guard; Norman Magee, guard; Charley Robert, forward. Second row: Harry Rabenhorst, head coach; Bill Lee, center; Leslie Jones, forward; Don Belcher, forward; Kenny Bridges, forward; John Chaney, assistant coach. Back row: Fred Poerschke, student manager; Jim McNeilly, forward; Bob Freshley, center; Bobby Pettit, center; Ned Clark, forward; Paul Braymen, forward.

Following are final standings:

CONFERENCE GAMES

School	W	L	Pct.	PF	Opp.	W	L	Pct.
Louisiana State	13	0	1.000	979	679	24	3	.889
Tulane	9	4	.692	857	815	14	6	.700
Florida	8	5	.615	909	879	13	6	.684
Tennessee	7	6	.538	969	983	13	8	.619
Auburn	6	7	.462	878	876	13	8	.619
Alabama	6	7	.462	773	861	12	9	.571
Mississippi	5	8	.385	869	893	15	11	.576
Mississippi State	5	8	.385	809	915	14	12	.538
Vanderbilt	5	8	.385	974	970	10	9	.526
Georgia Tech	4	9	.308	871	959	5	17	.227
Georgia	3	10	.231	890	953	7	18	.280

TEXAS
ROUND-UP

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he came armed with probably the first 10-year contract ever awarded by a school noted for firing coaches. He had his bad years while building for the future — and the wolves howled; but the little bald-headed man only reminded them how much \$15,000 multiplied by the number of years remaining on his contract amounted to, and went on about his business — that of building a football team. Then in due time his work paid off — conference championships, bowl games and the other assorted fruits of victory. Then he honestly retired in favor of Blair Cherry.

Our theory is that this Texas experience had a stabilizing effect on the sub-conscious of the other schools. We also believe that Matty Bell's success at SMU immediately after A&M had given him the gate was a contributing force as was TCU's consistent taking-the-little-Dutchman-for-granted attitude in bad years and good — but still D. X. Bible's 10-year contract at \$15,000 and the events that followed were the backbone of the whole stability period.

Jess Neeley, with his fourteenth year coming up, is now the granddaddy of the conference. Three schools have brand new coaches and the other three have only two years of seniority. Possibly another period of stability is in the offing. If all their fans could only realize that in any given game one of those coaches has to lose, it would help considerably. Let's hope for the best.

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ALABAMA

By RONALD WEATHERS

THEY'LL remember 1953 as the year of upsets in Alabama basketball. T. R. Miller of Brewton and Winfield entered state Class A and Class AA tournaments at the University of Alabama with winning streaks stretching over the better part of two seasons.

The Brewton kids, who had pieced together 55 wins as they sought their second straight tournament crown, saw hopes dashed in the very first round as a hard-working band of Ragland youngsters downed them, 37-33.

Winfield, taking a skein of 53 victories into the double-A meet for the state's larger high schools, added one more, downing stubborn Emma Sansom of Gadsden, 30-26. Then the bottom fell out for Estes Hudson's crew, as a battling band of Dothan Tigers dropped them, 53-52.

Ironically, though, neither Ragland nor Dothan could hang on over the route in state competition. Ragland went on to the semi-finals in the Class A division by dropping Corner, 40-39. But champion Austinville met Ragland in the semis and eliminated the team, 47-24. From there Austinville went on to the state championship, whipping Town Creek in the final round, 61-47.

Dothan fared better, getting clear to the final round before it lost to Eufaula, its Second District running-mate, 60-54.

Another double-A precedent was shattered when Geraldine, which had never lost a game in a state tournament, lost to Jacksonville, 51-50, in its quarter-finals assignment. Geraldine, which won three crowns back in the 30's, won its first tournament test this Spring by outdistancing Phillips of Birmingham, 69-68, with a last second basket.



AUSTINVILLE — ALABAMA CLASS A CHAMPIONS — *Left to right:* Bobby Free, Buddy Coulter, James Berry, Buddy Patterson, Coach J. A. Jones, Kenneth Henson, Billy Osborne, Billy Woodall, Tommy Allen, Truman Beggs and Kenneth Jackson. Mike Meany, President of Tuscaloosa Junior Chamber of Commerce, presenting trophy.

Jacksonville, which had beaten Sidney Lanier of Montgomery before edging Geraldine, lost to Eufaula in its semi-final test, 63-55. Dothan meantime whipped Murphy of Mobile, 41-37, to oppose Eufaula in the finals. Earlier, Dothan had beaten Butler of Huntsville, 52-42, and of course Winfield.

Eufaula's meeting with Dothan was the fifth of the season. Four times previously, Eufaula had won; and this time it wasn't any different, as the Wiregrass champions pulled away in the final period to win with ease.

Joe Mathis, high-scoring wheelhorse center, led the Eufaula charge to the title. For his work, he was chosen the double-A tournament's most valuable player. Others to make the All-Tournament selection were Hilton Jones, Dothan; Fred Edmondson, Geraldine; Roy Forbus, Alexander City, and Earl Hunsinger, Winfield.

Mathis and Jones were on the tournament's second team last year.

Named to the second team were Ronald Horton and Olin Smallwood of Jacksonville; Johnny Boyd, of Dothan; Eugene Allen of Murphy; and Thomas Coleman of Lanett.

When Austinville won the Class A crown, it marked the fourth year in a row for a team from the Northwestern corner of the state to get to the final round. Union Hill and Fyffe were there in 1950, champion Priceville in 1951 and runner-up Priceville in 1952.

As things developed, five centers made the All-State selection in the Class A division. J. P. Kimbrell, who scored 105 points in four games for Town Creek, Billy Woodall, who bagged 80 for Austinville, Thomas Pate of Corner, Jack Ford of Ragland and Richard Knox of Dadeville comprised the selection.

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ALABAMA**CLASS AA****First Round**

Alexander City 57, Walker County 56.
 Murphy 48, Albert G. Parrish, Selma 42.
 Dothan 52, Butler (Huntsville) 42.
 Winfield 30, Emma Sansom, Gadsden 26.
 Jacksonville 63, Lanier, Montgomery 53.
 Geraldine 69, Phillips, Birmingham 68.
 Eufaula 76, McGill (Mobile) 49.
 Russellville 58, Lanett 54.

Quarter-Finals

Murphy 51, Alexander City 43.
 Dothan 53, Winfield 52.
 Jacksonville 51, Geraldine 50.
 Eufaula 48, Russellville 47.

Semi-Finals

Dothan 41, Murphy 37.
 Eufaula 63, Jacksonville 55.

Finals

Eufaula 60, Dothan 54.

Consolation

Murphy 51, Jacksonville 44.

CLASS AA ALL-STATE**First Team**

Joe Mathis (Eufaula).
 Hilton Jones (Dothan).
 Fred Edmondson (Geraldine).
 Roy Forbus (Alexander City).
 Earl Hunsinger (Winfield).

Second Team

Ronald Horton (Jacksonville).
 Olin Smallwood (Jacksonville).
 Johnny Boyd (Dothan).
 Eugene Allen (Murphy).
 Thomas Coleman (Lanett).

CLASS A**First Round**

Hackneyville, 57, Guin 52.
 Austinville 52, Baker Hill 42.
 Corner 65, Maplesville 41.
 Ragland 37, T. R. Miller 33.
 New Brocton 44, Munford 39.
 Dadeville 54, Curry 48.
 Town Creek 52, Baker 42.
 Danville 38, Plantersville 36.
Quarter-Finals
 Austinville 72, Hackneyville 57.
 Ragland 40, Corner 39.
 Dadeville 53, New Brocton 46.
 Town Creek 54, Danville 50 (over-time).

Semi-Finals

Austinville 47, Ragland 24.
 Town Creek 47, Dadeville 33.

Finals

Austinville 61, Town Creek 47.

Consolation

Ragland 52, Dadeville 37.

CLASS A ALL-STATE**First Team**

Thomas Pate (Corner).
 Billy Woodall (Austinville).

J. P. Kimbrell (Town Creek).
 Jack Ford (Ragland).
 Richard Knox (Dadeville).

Second Team

Tommy Allen (Austinville).
 Hulon Davis (Dadeville).
 William Whatley (Plantersville).
 Stan North (Town Creek).
 Winfred Shaddix (Hackneyville).

JACK HORNER

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SECOND TEAM

Gene Shue of Maryland (154)
 Nield Gordon of Furman (148)

Jack Williams of Wake Forest (139)
 Mel Thompson of N. C. State (123)
 Bill Chambers of Wm. & Mary (103)

Boxer Wins Seven in Row

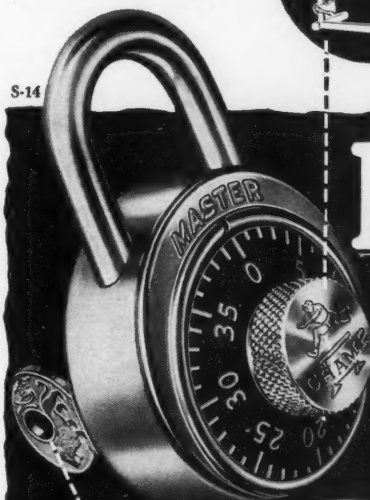
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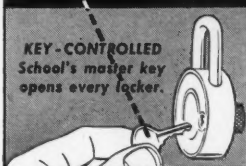
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FLORIDA

By RAY CHARLESTON

FT. LAUDERDALE's classy Flying L's beat back the sternest opposition to capture the State Class AA Basketball Tournament in the University of Florida's magnificent gymnasium.

Coach Clois Caldwell's clicking quintet tumbled Miami Senior High, a team that had dropped just one game in regular season competition, 69-60, to walk off with the big prize.

Other winners were: Wildwood in Class A, Malone in Class B and Wewahitchka in Class C.

Wildwood clipped Homestead, 61-47, for the big prize.

Both Malone and Wewahitchka repeated in the annual classic. Malone beat Pompano Beach, 72-59, in the championship game while Wewahitchka applied the pressure in the last three minutes to turn back Sneads, 50-45.

Pensacola, the defending Class AA king, survived group play to enter the State meet but was defeated by Jacksonville Jackson in the first round.

Bolles of Jacksonville, which lost its crack players who won the Class A title in 1952, was eliminated in group play.

Jim Gilbert shot 18 points to lead Fort Lauderdale's successful attack against Miami High's Stingarees. Dick Hoban topped the losers' offense with 17.

Wildwood's big Earl Boortz hit his peak against Homestead, pouring in a total of 29 points. His performance gained the 6-4 center a tie with Daytona Beach's Seabreeze's Artie Richards for individual scoring honors in a single game.

Malone's C. W. Ham, lightning fast guard with radar eyes, led the way as the Tigers won their second straight title. The little fellow who plays the big man's game in superb fashion, connected for 22 tallies.

Wewahitchka's Don Rester, Billy Strange and James Lester spearheaded the closing drive that enabled the Gators to capture another state crown. Lester was the big gun with 16 points.

All-star teams were selected in each class by sports writers and officials who worked the annual affairs.

Ft. Lauderdale placed three players on the Class AA honor outfit. They were

center Jack Leach, and guards Bill Huegele and Roger Gallion. Jim Savage, Flying L's forward, just missed the squad.

Miami High's forward Walter Shields and guard Bernard Herkowitz were chosen while guard Charles Pike missed the squad by a narrow margin.

The rest of the Class AA squad:

Gene Peebles of Jacksonville Jackson, Lee Corso of Miami Jackson, Chuck Smith of Tampa Hillsborough, John Herrick of Tampa Jesuit, and George Peace of Pensacola.

Wildwood put three on the Class A squad, center Earl Boortz, guard Mose Walsh and forward Billy Shuman. Homestead's center Willie Altman and Carl Norwood were named. Seabreeze of Daytona Beach placed guards Artie Richards and Bob Dunkel.

Others on the squad were Jimmy Dell of Gainesville P. K. Yonge, and John May and Gene Cobb, both of Chipley.

Four Malone players were chosen on the Class B outfit. They were Kenneth Rogers, C. W. Ham, Bobby McDaniels and Pat Jordan. Pompano Beach's Scooter Buck and Glenn Courson landed berths.

Others on the B squad were Richard Hagstrom of Pierson and Richard Hopkins of Pierson, Gerald Evans of Callahan and Don Griffith of Baker.

Wewahitchka snared four places on the Class C club. The champs placed Nils Millergren, James Lester, Billy Strange and Don Rester. The other spots went to J. I. Sheffield of Bunnell, Rex Godwin of Chumuckla, Don Haddock and Vernon Duce of Hilliard, and Charles Lanier and Ralph Green of Sneads.

Joe Sherman, sports publicity head of the University of Florida, did his usual great job of making things easier for sports writers covering the state tournaments.

Sherman and his assistants compiled a complete program listing players, positions and other data on each team in the tournament. They gave every assistance to the writers, again earning highest praise from every scribe at the four-day affair.

Jacksonville Jackson was the big surprise in the Big Ten Basketball Conference, Florida's largest prep circuit. Coach Fred Rozelle's quint overcame
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SOUTH CAROLINA

By VAN NEWMAN

The upper state area dominated basketball in South Carolina high school areas again this year with Parker High of Greenville sweeping to the mythical class AA state championship.

Coach Whitey Kendall's high-powered team swept through 20 games against high school competition undefeated, and added the scalps of a Clemson College freshman team twice. Parker was downed only by a Furman University freshman team during the season.

To win the mythical crown, the Tornadoes had to overcome stiff opposition from cross-town rival Greenville with a scant two points margin furnishing them victory in the second meeting of the two schools. Parker won by a substantial margin in the first game between the two.

Other state champions included Olympia of Columbia in class A, Slater-Marietta in class B, and Dentsville of Columbia in class C. Girls' champions were Seneca, class A, Marion, class B, and Midway, class C.

Both Columbia area teams, Olympia and Dentsville, got off to slow starts in their championship games, but gained full momentum in their second halves to sweep past Orangeburg and Bowman, respectively. The class A champs won their honors by a 54-44 margin to climax a season sparked by a scrappy little forward named Bobby Counts.

Giant center Burton Touchberry scored over 500 points during the season to pace Dentsville's first state championship team. The Big Red moved past Bowman, 70-45, in the finals.

In class B competition, Slater-Marietta won handily over Bamberg, 59-31.

No state champion is crowned in class AA ranks in South Carolina, but the talented Parker team so dominated affairs in the state that their claim for mythical state championship honors went virtually undisputed.

Two tall forwards, Ronnie Knight and Jack Lee, and a consistent-scoring guard, Willard Fowler, were the stars of the Parker team.

In girls' competition, the state's longest winning streak was broken in the finals of the class C play-offs.

Hollywood's girls carried defending state championship honors and a 92-game perfect streak against Midway, but came home on the short end of a 53-31 count.

The closest game in the state finals saw Seneca's class A girls squeeze by Orangeburg, 42-41, the same night the Orangeburg boys lost to Olympia.

The Marion girls trounced Saluda in class B competition in the year's most one-sided finals, 49-11.

Outstanding players in the state included the stars of the championship teams such as Knight, Fowler, and Lee of Parker, Touchberry of Dentsville,

Counts of Olympia, and Alton White of Slater-Marietta. But others such as Jerry Redmon of Lexington and Red Carter of Greenville, the state's outstanding football player, earned leading recognition along with the winners.

Executive Secretary Ernest Stokes of the South Carolina High School League supervised state finals play-offs in Columbia and termed basketball in the state as on a definite upswing.

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TENNESSEE

By EDGAR ALLEN

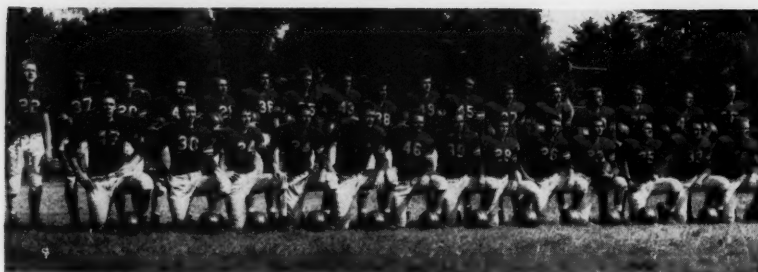
COLUMBIA Central High School, parading through 11 games without a defeat, brought the Tennessee State football championship to Middle Tennessee for the first time in history during the 1952 season.

The rugged Lions edged Isaac Litton High of Nashville and Chattanooga Central for the championship, determined for the 12th straight year by the Litkenhous Rating System.

The rest of the top ten in the final ratings included Memphis Central 4th, Lebanon 5th, Oak Ridge 6th, Nashville Ryan 7th, Memphis South Side 8th, Newbern 9th and Memphis Humes 10th.

Columbia, coached by former Tennessee Tech gridders Malcolm (Mutt) Quillen and boasting a rugged forewall with four bruisers who weighed over 200 pounds, was never seriously pressed throughout the season.

Actually, the decisive game came Sept. 14, when the Lions blasted Litton, 27-7, in Nashville. Litton went the rest of the way undefeated through a tough schedule, including powerful Oak Ridge, 47-19 (for that team's only loss),



COLUMBIA CENTRAL HIGH
Tennessee State High School Champions, 1952

First row, from left: Linville, Shedden, Locke, Elliott, Graham, Wiley, Adcock, Van Hooser, Thrasher, Brewer, Clark, Bobby Potts, Fraser.

Back row: Akin, Peebles, Haywood, Stone, Pickard, Walker, Wagster, Johnson, Hill, Campbell, Allen, Billy Potts, Cook, Pugh, Dillehay, Rayburn, Gannaway.

Colors — Purple and Gold.

Coach — Malcolm P. (Mutt) Quillen.

Asst. Coach — Bob Vise.

but could never pass the Columbians.

Columbia's overall record included wins over Murfreesboro 28-6, Litton 27-7, Lewisburg 33-0, Lawrenceburg 27-6, Centerville 37-0, Nashville West 24-0, Gallatin 32-0, Shelbyville 20-7, Battle Ground Academy 39-0, Mt. Pleasant 19-0 and Tennessee Industrial School 47-13.

That gave the Lions, who used the standard T-formation, a total of 333 points against only 39 for the opposition, and marked the first time the huge Litkenhous Championship Plaque has come to a midstate team.

Since 1941, when the first champion was selected, the trophies have gone to Memphis Tech (1941), Knoxville High (1942-43-44), Kingsport (1945-47-48-49), Chattanooga Central (1946-51) and Memphis Central (1950).

Sectionally, Chattanooga Central and Oak Ridge, who fought to an 18-18 deadlock Thanksgiving Day, battled it out in East Tennessee. Oak Ridge, loser only to Litton, numbered a 19-13 win over Louisville Flaget, Kentucky's champion, among its victories while Central fought Flaget (7-7) and Oak Ridge to ties and was beaten, 19-18, by Miami Senior High for its lone defeat.

Memphis Central was the West Tennessee power, going unbeaten until a post-season loss to South Side, a team it had beaten 10 days before.

Columbia and Chattanooga Central dominated the All-State team, which was captained by George Volkert, Isaac Litton halfback. Volkert, a 175-pound sextuple threat tailback, also was voted the state's standout on the All-Southern squad and was the only Tennessean

chosen on Scholastic Magazines' High School All-America squad.

The All-State team included Robert Elliott (Columbia) and Gordon Wakefield (Ripley) at ends, Don Duncan (Chatt. Central), Jimmy Linville (Columbia), and Earl Hampton (Spring City) at tackles, Paul Hathcock (Memphis Humes) and Bob Underwood (Knox. Bearden) at guards and Burton Johnston (Soddy-Daisy) at center. In the backfield with Volkert were Johnny Martin (Memphis Central), Jimmy Pack (Chatt. Central) and Jim Shelton (Oak Ridge).

Volkert, Martin, Pack, Underwood and Hathcock were named on the All-Southern squad.

Conference Champions	
Volunteer	Henderson
Memphis	Central
Shelby County	Whitehaven
Big Ten	Ripley
Nashville	Litton (AA) Goodlettsville (A)
Cumberland Valley	Portland, Lebanon (tie)
Upper Cumberland	Sparta (AA), Monterey (A)
Tennessee Valley	Mt. Pleasant
Lower Cumberland	Charlotte
Central Tennessee	Shelbyville
Duck River Valley	Lynchburg
Tennessee Valley (East)	Soddy-Daisy
Chattanooga	Central
Knoxville	Rule
Big Five	Kingsport

FLORIDA

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the loss of two regulars by mid-term graduation to snap back and win the major award.

The Tigers nipped Miami Jackson by a whisker under the Dickinson Rating System, the plan used to determine the final loop standings.

Robert E. Lee of Jacksonville, which beat Jacksonville Jackson in the group finals and went into the State meet, tied with Ft. Lauderdale for third place.



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Tommy Davis, fullback of Fair Park, was the unanimous choice of Louisiana sports writers for the AA all-star team. Davis set a scoring record of 184 points during the regular season and lead his team to play-off victory over Sulphur and St. Aloysius.

Seven players were unanimous choices in Class A— They were Charles Barham, M. C. Reynolds, Raymond Manchester, Murrell Kelley, Penny Thibodaux, Ken Beck and Henry Deloney.

ALL-STATE CLASS AA

First Team

B—Tommy Davis, 18, 6-1, 204, Sr. Fair Park, Shreveport.

B—Lou Deutschmann, 17, 5-11, 220, Jr., Holy Cross, New Orleans.

B—Bobby Kimball, 18, 5-9, 150, Sr., Terrebonne, Houma.

B—Win Turner, 17, 5-9 160, Jr., Istrouma, Baton Rouge.

C—Ronald Senac, 18, 5-11, 176, Sr., St. Aloysius, New Orleans.

G—James Cooter Zimmerle, 18, 5-9, 180, Sr., Catholic Baton Rouge.

G—James Cotton Kenney, 18, 5-9, 165, Sr., Sulphur.

T—Robert Arnoult, 18, 5-11, 178, Sr., St. Aloysius, New Orleans.

T—Harley Brown, 18, 6-2 218, Sr., Fair Park, Shreveport.

E—John Byrd, 18, 6-0, 180, Sr., Sulphur.

E—Ernest Kelly, 18, 6-0, 170, Sr., Baton Rouge.

Second Team

E—Charles French, 165, Sr., Holy Cross, New Orleans, and Richard Deck, 180, Sr., Jesuit, New Orleans.

T—Nat Peveto, 180, Sr., Sulphur, and Don Boudreaux, 210, Sr., Terrebonne, Houma.

G—Gaspar Abene, 165, Sr., St. Aloysius, New Orleans, and Don Miller, 183, Sr., Baton Rouge.

C—Paul Stevens, 220, Jr., Istrouma, Baton Rouge.

B—Frank Mobley, 160, Sr., Ouachita, Monroe; Edward Bursleson, 195, Sr., Sulphur; Ronnie Quillian, 187, Sr., Baton Rouge; and Nickie Blout, 162, Sr., St. Aloysius, New Orleans.

All-State Class A Squad

(22 man squad)

E—Huey Husser, 18, 6-2, 185, senior, Ponchatoula.



FAIR PARK OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA — CLASS AA CHAMPIONS

E—Bennett Ellender, 16, 6-4, 188, senior, LaGrange, Lake Charles.

E—Bobby Hamilton, 18, 6-1, 190, senior, De Ridder.

E—Milton Brady, 18, 6-3, 185, senior, Reserve.

T—Henry Deloney, 18, 6-0, 230, senior, Ruston.

T—Penny Thibodaux, 17, 6-1, 190, senior, Ponchatoula.

T—Ken Beck, 17, 6-1, 210, senior, Minden.

T—Murrell Kelly, 17, 6-0, 165, junior, Metairie.

G—Al Kleibert, 18, 5-11, 182, senior, Litcher.

G—Bob Stewart, 16, 6-0, 205, junior, Menard, Alexandria.

G—Leland Sims, 18, 5-10, 205, senior, Neville, Monroe.

G—W. D. Goodeaux, 18, 5-10, 145, senior, De Ridder.

C—Warren Comeaux, 18, 5-10, 160, Senior, Metairie.

C—John Andre, 18, 6-2, 190, senior, Baker.

B—Charles Barham, 18, 5-9, 165, senior, Ruston.

B—M. C. Reynolds, 17, 5-10, 176, junior, Mansfield.

B—Raymond Manchester, 18, 6-2, 190, senior, Jena.

B—Larry Martin, 18, 5-10, 185, senior, Reserve.

B—Billy Hawkins, 17, 6-0, 187, senior, Ponchatoula.

B—Gerald Gerami is 18, 5-11, 168, senior, Cathedral, Lafayette.

B—Louis Tomme, 17, 5-10, 155, senior, LaGrange, Lake Charles.

B—John Crowe, 17, 6-1, 172, junior, Springhill.

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(22 man squad)

E—Theo Martinez, 18, 6-4, 105,

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E—Walt Minuet, 16, 6-2, 190, senior, New Orleans academy.

E—Charles Lancon, 17, 6-0, 168, senior, Hanson Memorial, Franklin.

E—Pat Patterson, 18, 6-1, 185, senior, Delhi.

T—J. C. Duchesne, 18, 6-0, 245, senior, Dehli.

T—Freddie Roth, 17, 6-1, 235, junior, Kenner.

T—Ernest Swanson, 18, 5-11, 195, senior, Port Allen.

T—Carroll Matlock, 14, 5-10, 165, freshman, Houghton.

G—Elsley Webb, 18, 5-9, 170, senior, Cutchtown.

G—Irving Strange, 18, 5-11, 195, senior, Slidell.

G—John Benson, 19, 6-1, 175, senior, Cotton Valley.

G—Richard Bicerstaff, 16, 5-10, 165, sophomore, Ridgewood, New Orleans.

C—Charles Fuglar, 18, 6-2, 180, senior, Ferriday.

C—Vincent Vuslevich, 16, 6-0, 237, sophomore, Holy Name, New Orleans.

B—Jack Oubre, 17, 5-7, 155, senior, Bunkie.

B—Freddie Wilcox, 18, 5-11, 170, senior, Kenner.

B—George Manning, 17, 5-9, 174, senior, Clinton.

B—Louis Preis, 17, 6-1, 165, junior, Waterproof.

B—Leslie Daigle, 17, 5-7, 150, senior, St. Francis, Houma.

B—Jewell Willis, 18, 5-8, 165, senior, Port Allen.

B—James McNew, 18, 5-11, 156, senior, Ferriday.

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With the 1953 baseball season underway, Hillerich & Bradsby's annual baseball publication "Famous Slugger Year Book" is of unusual interest to fans and players throughout the nation.

This year's edition, as usual, is made up of 64 pages packed with baseball interest. Included are pictures of the past season's outstanding sluggers, records, hints on how to bat and highlights of 1952 outstanding baseball events. Of special interest is an article titled "My Advice to Young Hitters" by Harold "Pee Wee" Reese, shortstop and captain of the pennant winning Brooklyn Dodgers.

Sometime ago Hillerich & Bradsby released their 1953 edition of "Official Softball Rules" which also contains pictures of winning teams and records of the 1952 softball season. The two books may be obtained from sporting goods dealers throughout the country.

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TOUCH FOOTBALL RULES

Copies of the official collegiate rules for the game of Touch Football, as formulated by the College Physical Education Association, are now available from The Athletic Institute, 209 S. State St., Chicago 4, Illinois.

The 32-page book, of value to coaches and players alike, contains, in addition to the official rules, other information important to the game, including a code of signals for the officials. The Touch Football rule book sells for 50¢ a copy. Postage will be prepaid within the United States.



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The personable young ex-coach comes to Rawlings after several seasons traveling for the Johnson & Johnson Company.

A native of Indiana, Leon is a graduate of Indiana State Teachers and took his Master's Degree at Illinois State Normal University.

His coaching background includes "tours of duty" at Noblesville (Ind.) high school, and Streator (Ill.) Twp. high school.

During World War II, Leon served with the Navy's Air Corps where he rose to the rank of Lieutenant.

Married and with two children, Leon is currently moving his family to Jackson, Mississippi where he will reside and from where he will travel the Southern territory for Rawlings.

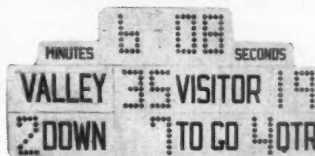
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VIRGINIA SOFTBALL TOURNEY

By HANK WOLFE

Virginia Softball Commissioner

THE SECOND ANNUAL state tournament for college softball teams sponsored by the Virginia Amateur Softball Association, which is an affiliate of the Amateur Softball Association of America, will be held on two Byrd Park diamonds in Richmond on Friday and Saturday, May 1-2.

There were ten teams last year in the tournament, which was the first of its kind ever staged in softball. Union Theological Seminary of Richmond won the title. Other contenders were from the University of Richmond, University of Virginia, William & Mary, Randolph-Macon, Hampden-Sydney, Lynchburg and three VPI company teams.

Invitations have been extended again to the ten 1952 contestants. Also, bids have been forwarded to Washington & Lee, VMI, Roanoke, Bridgewater, Emory & Henry, Medical College of Virginia, Newport News Apprentice

School, W&M-VPI Norfolk Division, Virginia Episcopal Seminary, Richmond Professional Institute and Longwood.

The tournament is open to representative, fraternity, company and class teams. All participants must be students in good standing at their colleges. Varsity athletes are eligible for the tournament, a point which apparently was not thoroughly understood last year. With the experience of 1952 as an aid, a much stronger tournament field is expected this season.

All tournament games will be governed by the 1953 Official Softball Guide and only members of the International Federation of Amateur Softball Association Umpires will be assigned. Membership in the tournament also entitles team managers to a year's subscription to the ASA publication *Balls & Strikes*.

In addition to a trophy and 18 team pictures to the championship club, the following individual gifts will be awarded this year: To manager of winning team, sport shirt by American Pad & Textile Co.; outstanding tournament player, port-a-fold seat by Scott Port-a-fold Seat Co.; outstanding tournament pitcher, saf-t-sheath knife by Walco Products, and to hitter of longest home run, No. 4 Official American Fastball League softball by Union Hardware Co.

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As Space Will Allow: The Georgia Class AA tournament was played this year in the Atlanta Municipal Auditorium under the joint sponsorship of the Georgia High School Association and the *Atlanta Constitution*. A \$7,000.00 portable floor was installed to make this possible. The tournament was a great success, despite the rules committee. The *Constitution* and **Sam Burke** are to be congratulated on giving Georgia prep basketball a big boost. . . . **Lyle Welser**, gymnastics coach at Georgia Tech, was elected president of the National Association of Gymnastics Coaches at the group's meeting held in conjunction with the NCAA's annual national competition in Cincinnati. Welser is a member of our Advisory Staff and has done much to pioneer gymnastics in the Southern high schools. . . . **Leslie Fouts**, whose GMA mermen have won eight straight high school championships, has been named vice-president of the National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association. . . . "**Bitsie**" **Howard**, former coach at McCallie Schools in Chattanooga, Tennessee, is now in the sporting goods business in Maryville. . . . **Mell Bray** has resigned his position at Fitzgerald High School to

enter business. . . . **Henry Madden** has turned in another good record this time at Central High School, Charlotte, North Carolina. His football team went all the way to the Western Division finals before bowing to Winston-Salem. . . . "**Ish**" **Brant**, president of the Florida Coaches Association, announces that their coaching clinic will be held at the University of Florida in Gainesville, August 11-14, the staff of instructors to be announced later.

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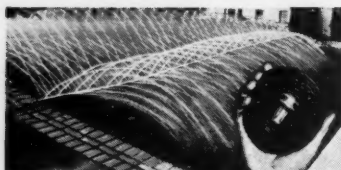
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## CAMPUS CLOSE-UP . . . GADSDEN HIGH

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gives at least three concerts each year, and plays on many other occasions.

The cheerleaders are a hard-working group of boys and girls who receive little credit for their efforts. They are the backbone of the school's spirit; they can make or break it. This year's squad is one of the best ever. Tryouts are held each year, and the student body elects the cheerleaders for the following year.

Recently, an a capella choir made up of the best glee club students was formed by Edsel Hand, the new director of the music department. This choir plans to travel throughout the south, visiting various high schools. They will enter the District Music Festival to be held sometime in the near future at Jacksonville State Teachers College. It is one of the finest choral groups of its kind in the state. The members decided to call their group the "Velvetones."

### FOOTBALL

At Gadsden High, as in most other schools, football is the most important sport. The team is coached by Ernest Teel, with Jack Green assisting. The Tigers play triple "A" teams, and each

year face a rugged schedule. Last year's season was one of the poorest in the school's history; the team won four, lost three, and tied two. Gadsden played such powerhouses as Little Rock, Arkansas; Henry Grady, of Atlanta; and Bessemer, Alabama. Many football stars graduating from GHS have made quite a name for themselves in college. Recently, two of the most outstanding are Jerry Watford and Jody Connell. Jerry entered the University of Alabama, made the All Southeastern Conference team, and received several pro offers. Jody attended Jacksonville State Teachers College and made Little All American his senior year.

Gadsden's schedule this year will be a difficult one, but the boys are expected to come through in fine style.

### BASEBALL

Baseball also is under the direction of Coach Ernest Teel. Each Spring, he turns out a fine team, and last year's team was no exception. The Tigers won first place in the Sixth District, but were defeated in their second game of the state play-offs. In addition to its very good record for the season, the team was host to the Southern Baseball Tournament, in which it did exceptionally well. Fans are looking forward to an equally impressive team this year.

### BASKETBALL

The basketball team is coached by Herbert Burton. This year's team was slow starting, but is one of the most improved teams in the area. At present, the Tigers have a record of twelve wins and nine losses. Their most impressive game was the one in which they defeated Sansom by a 62-61 score in the overtime period, after trailing throughout the game. Gadsden, until the final minutes of the last quarter, couldn't seem to pull within ten points of its opponent's lead. Then, suddenly, the team caught fire and came out ahead

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when the final gun was sounded. Since this game, the fans have never once lost confidence in the team, and the boys have proved themselves to be worthy of this confidence.

### TRACK

Under the expert guidance of Coach Burton, the Tiger track team had a very successful season last year. They walked away with the Sixth District tournament, and also won the Northeast Regional meet at Decatur. In addition, the team had several men placing in the state meet. This year's team is expected to be better than ever.

### GYMNASTICS

Gadsden High's very fine gymnastics team won the Alabama State High School Championship this year. The team is sparked by Jerry Koehler, who placed sixth last year in the National AAU championship on the trampoline. In addition to this honor, Jerry is: Florida Senior Trampoline Champion, Alabama AAU Senior Trampoline and Tumbling Champion, and Georgia AAU Junior Trampoline Champion. Many other members of the team hold championships, and all show great promise.

### BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our physical education for boys is a very broad program, which is built around intramural championships. Sports involved are: touch football, basketball, track, softball, gymnastics, golf, tennis, ping pong, and horseshoes. An "All Around Athlete" is selected on a competitive basis. His picture, as well as a picture of each championship team, is posted in the building on an Intramural Championship Bulletin Board and remains there for one year, when a new champion is crowned. Five things are kept in mind as the major objectives for boys taking physical education. They are: to live, to love, to want to be with people, to excel, to have a faith. Through emphasizing these five ideals, the teacher stresses health, leadership, and social adjustment.

### GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Gadsden High's physical education program for girls, under the direction of Mrs. Jack Green, is one of the finest in the area. The girls have a gym to themselves and take part in such sports as: softball, basketball, tennis, tumbling, ping-pong, swimming, volleyball, skating, soccer, and archery. They also take part in such games and activities as folk games and square dancing. The girls are required to "dress-out" in blue gym suits. Each year, a basketball and a softball tournament is held with each period being represented by a team. Each member of the winning team is presented with a sterling silver softball

or basketball bracelet charm. Around three hundred girls participate in this well rounded program.

### COACHES

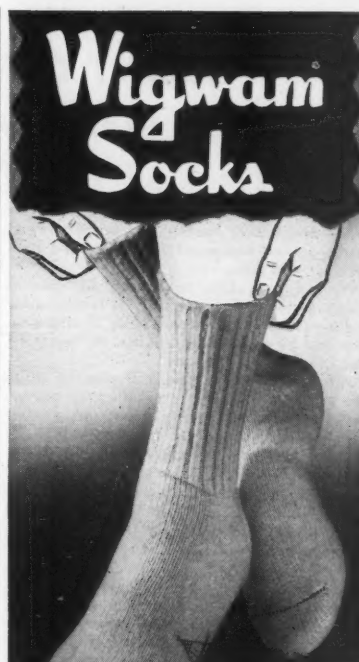
**Ernest Teel** was born in Birmingham, Alabama, and attended Phillips High School. There, he was captain of the football team. After graduating, Teel went to Birmingham Southern and made quite a name for himself. While at Southern, he made the 1934 Little All American team, lettered three years, and sparked his team to an undefeated season in his senior year. He graduated in 1935 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Since then, Teel has coached basketball, baseball, and track, but his specialty is football. In 1952, he was selected as head coach for the North team in the Alabama All Star game. He has been with Gadsden five years as head coach.

**Jack Green** was born in Roundmountain, close to Centre, Alabama, where he attended high school. After high school, he entered the University of Alabama. There, he played with such stars as Harry Gilmer and Vaughn Mancha and was quite a star himself. He lettered three years and played on the '45 Sugar Bowl team and the '46 Rose Bowl team. Green graduated with a Master's degree. He, also, has been coaching at Gadsden High for five years.

**Herbert Burton** was born in 1921 in Walker County, Alabama. He attended high school in Jasper and was captain of the football team in his senior year there. After graduating, he attended Auburn and entered many sports, including basketball, football, and track. An honor he holds, and is quite proud of, is an individual scoring record which he made at a Southeastern Conference track meet. He is now head basketball coach at Gadsden High and is end coach for the football team. In addition, he coaches one of the finest high school gymnastic teams in the South.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

There are many extra-curricular activities of great importance at Gadsden High. The three most significant are: homecoming, the talent shows, and stunt night. In these three events, the four classes compete, but a spirit of good, clean sportsmanship always prevails. Homecoming takes place in the fall, usually previous to an important football game. A parade is held, and floats are entered by each of the classes, the Student Council, and the Hi-Y. The Student Council float depicts the beauties of the school. Each of the classes elects two maids, but the queen is elected from the student body at large.



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### FRANKIE ALBERTSON

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Track fans who witness Tennessee's Track Meets this Spring will be privileged to see one of the smoothest "picture runners" in the country.

He is Frank Albertson, wiry 130-pound Southeastern Conference record-holder and senior at the University of Tennessee, who will be competing against the nation's best in the half-mile run.

Albertson's easy, relaxed running style has caused more than one critic to exclaim in delight. More important, it has been a prime factor in his becoming the greatest half-miler in Dixie history.

Frankie's diminutive size is probably responsible for his being somewhat limited in running strength, as compared to the six-footers he regularly chops down to size. Moreover, he is not exceptionally blessed with speed, although he has gotten down to 50 seconds in the quarter. His saving grace, most observers agree, is the complete efficiency of his form. There just isn't any waste motion when the black-haired little Atlantan takes off around the oval.

Handicapped most of last season with a bronchial condition, Albertson rounded into top form late in the season. He broke Alf Holberg's Tennessee state meet

record in the half-mile, then took on the best 880-yard field that the SEC has ever seen in its annual meet.

In that race defending champion John Paris of Mississippi led most of the way. With Albertson close on his heels, Paris passed the quarter-mile post in 54 seconds. This was the order as they went into the home stretch. Here the contest ended. Albertson barreled ahead to win by nine yards, feeling, as he put it, "like new money." His time of 1:52.8 knocked more than a second off the old SEC record set 15 years earlier by Dave Rogan of Kentucky.

This past fall Albertson led the Tennessee cross-country team to their fourth consecutive SEC hill-and-dale championship in late November.

Now barely twenty years old, Albertson has many great races ahead of him. He is scheduled to be commissioned in the Air Force upon graduation in June, but he has his mind set on certain racing objectives before then. One of these objectives is to break his own SEC half-mile record. He won't say what he will do in that one — just that he will be there and that he will be ready.

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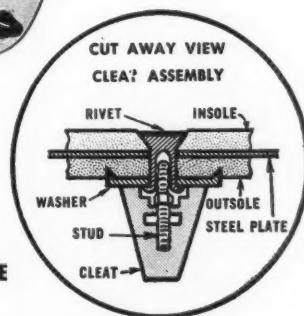
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